

• Function between Metric Space.

Rudin, §4, §7.

Recall: A function  $f: A \rightarrow B$  from a set  $A$  to a set  $B$ , is an assignment, to every  $\alpha \in A$ , an element  $f(\alpha) \in B$ .

- domain of  $f$ :  $A$  (source)
- range of  $f$ :  $f(A) \subset B$ . (target)
- $f$  is injective, if  $\forall x, y \in A$ , and  $x \neq y$ , then  $f(x) \neq f(y)$ .
- $f$  is surjective, if  $f(A) = B$ , i.e.  $\forall \beta \in B$ ,  $\exists \alpha \in A$ , s.t.  $f(\alpha) = \beta$ .

- $\forall E \subset B$ . let  $f^{-1}(E) = \{\alpha \in A \mid f(\alpha) \in E\}$ .

Lemma:

Let  $A' \subset A$ ,  $B' \subset B$ ,  $f: A \rightarrow B$ . then,

$$f(A') \subset B' \iff A' \subset f^{-1}(B').$$

pf:  $f(A') \subset B' \iff \forall x \in A', f(x) \in B'$

$$\iff \forall x \in A', x \in f^{-1}(B')$$
$$\iff A' \subset f^{-1}(B').$$

- Let  $(X, d_X)$  and  $(Y, d_Y)$  be metric spaces.

Def: A function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is continuous at  $p \in X$ , if  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta > 0$ , such that

$$\forall x \in X, \text{ with } d_X(x, p) < \delta \Rightarrow d_Y(f(x), f(p)) < \varepsilon.$$

↕ equivalent to

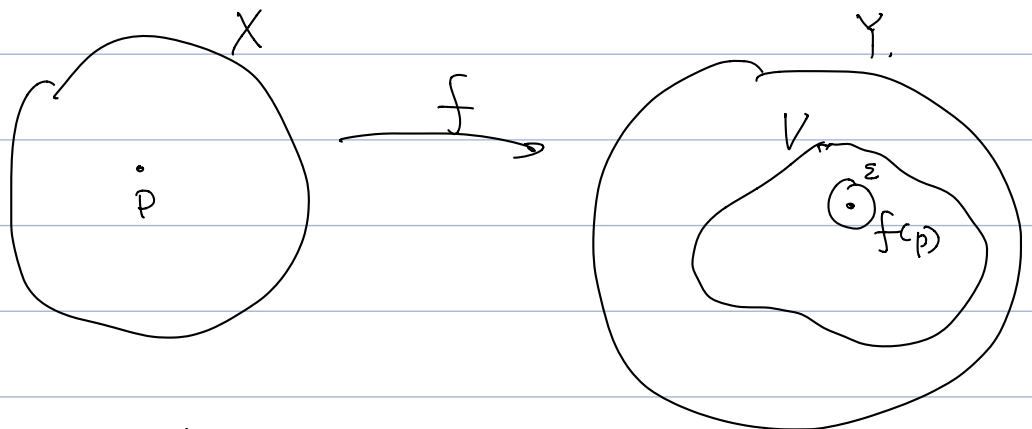
$$\underline{f(B_\delta(p)) \subset B_\varepsilon(f(p))}.$$

$X, Y$  as before.

Thm. A function  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is continuous, iff  
 $\forall V \subset Y$  open,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is open.

rmk: it only uses the notion of open sets, works for general topological spaces.

Pf:  $\Rightarrow$  suppose  $f$  is continuous, then we need to show  
 $\forall V \subset Y$  open,  $f^{-1}(V)$  is open. i.e.  $\forall p \in f^{-1}(V)$ ,  
 we need to show  $\exists \delta > 0$ , s.t.  $B_\delta(p) \subset f^{-1}(V)$ .



Since  $f(p) \in V$ , and  $V$  is open, we have  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  
 and  $B_\varepsilon(f(p)) \subset V$ . By continuity of  $f$ ,  $\exists B_\delta(p)$ ,  
 s.t.  $f(B_\delta(p)) \subset B_\varepsilon(f(p))$ . Hence

$$f(B_\delta(p)) \subset B_\varepsilon(f(p)) \subset V \Rightarrow B_\delta(p) \subset f^{-1}(V).$$

Hence  $f^{-1}(V)$  is open.

$\Leftarrow$ . If  $f^{-1}(V)$  is open for any  $V \subset Y$  open,  
 we need to show that  $\forall p \in X, \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$   
 s.t.,  $f(B_\delta(p)) \subset B_\varepsilon(f(p))$ . Since  $B_\varepsilon(f(p))$  is open,  
 hence  $f^{-1}(B_\varepsilon(f(p)))$  is open, and contains  $p$ . By  
 definition of open set,  $\exists \delta > 0$  s.t.

$$\begin{aligned}
 B_\delta(p) &\subset f^{-1}(B_\varepsilon(f(p))) \\
 \Leftrightarrow f(B_\delta(p)) &\subset B_\varepsilon(f(p)). \quad \#
 \end{aligned}$$

Def (limit of a function). Let  $X, Y$  be metric spaces.

Let  $E \subset X$  be a subset ( $(E, d_X|_E)$  is a metric space).

and  $f: E \rightarrow Y$ . Suppose  $\underline{p}$  is a limit point of  $E$ ,

then we say  $\lim_{x \rightarrow p} f(x) = q$ , if there is a point  $q \in Y$ ,  
 such that  $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$  s.t.

$$f(B_\delta^x(p) \cap E) \subset B_\varepsilon(q). \quad B_\delta^x(p) = \{x \in X \mid x \neq p, d(x, p) < \delta\}$$

i.e.  $\forall x \in E$ , s.t.  $0 < d_X(x, p) < \delta$ , we have.

$$d_Y(f(x), q) < \varepsilon.$$

Remark:  $\bullet$   $p$  is a limit point of  $E$ , if  $\forall \delta > 0$ ,

$$B_\delta^x(p) \cap E \neq \emptyset.$$

$\bullet$   $E'$  is the set of limit points of  $E$ .

$$\text{eg } E = (0, 1), \quad E' = [0, 1].$$

$$E = \{\frac{1}{n}, n \in \mathbb{N}\}, \quad E' = \{0\}.$$

$$\bullet E = E^{\text{isolated}} \cup E'$$

$$\{x \in E \mid \exists \varepsilon > 0, B_\varepsilon(x) \cap E = \{x\}\}$$

Thm: with  $(X, Y, E, f)$  as above,  $p \in E'$ .

We have  $\lim_{x \rightarrow p} f(x) = q$  if and only if

$\forall$  any convergent seq  $p_n \rightarrow p$  with  $p_n \in E$ ,  $p_n \neq p$ .

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(p_n) = q.$$

$$p_n \neq p.$$

Pf:  $\Rightarrow$  Suppose  $\lim_{x \rightarrow p} f(x) = q$ . And suppose  $p_n \rightarrow p$ ,  $p_n \in E$ ,

we need to show  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(p_n) = q$ . For any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , we need

to have ~~any~~ an  $N > 0$  s.t.  $\forall n > N$ ,  $d(f(p_n), q) < \varepsilon$ . By

definition of a limit of function,  $\exists \delta > 0$  s.t. if

$d_X(p_n, p) < \delta$ , then  $d(f(p_n), q) < \varepsilon$ . By  $p_n \rightarrow p$ ,  $\exists N > 0$ ,

s.t.  $\forall n > N$ ,  $d(p_n, p) < \delta$ . Hence, in summary,  $\exists N > 0$ .

s.t.  $\forall n > N$ ,  $d(p_n, p) < \delta \Rightarrow d(f(p_n), q) < \varepsilon$ .

$\Leftarrow$  Suppose  $\lim_{x \rightarrow p} f(x) \neq q$ , that means  $\exists \varepsilon > 0$  s.t.  $\forall \delta > 0$ ,

$f(B_\delta^x(p) \cap E)$  is not contained in  $B_\varepsilon(q)$ .

i.e.  $\exists x \in E$  s.t.  $0 < d_X(x, p) < \delta$  s.t.

$$d(f(x), q) > \varepsilon.$$

Let  $\delta$  take values  $\frac{1}{n}$ , for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and one obtain a

sequence of pts  $x_n$  s.t.  $0 < d(x_n, p) < \frac{1}{n}$  and  $x_n \in E$ ,

$d(f(x_n), q) > \varepsilon$ . This

contradict with the statement that for all seq

$x_n \rightarrow p$ ,  $x_n \neq p$ ,  $f(x_n) \rightarrow q$ .  $\#$

To show statements  $P \Leftrightarrow Q$ ,

we show  $P \Rightarrow Q$

and  $\neg P \Rightarrow \neg Q$  ( $P$  is not true  $\Rightarrow Q$  is not true)

$$f+g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$(f+g)(x) := f(x) + g(x).$$

(4.4).

Thm: Let  $f, g : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . And assume that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow p} f(x) = A, \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow p} g(x) = B.$$

Then (1)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow p} (f+g)(x) = A + B$

(2)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow p} (f \cdot g)(x) = A \cdot B$

(3) if  $B \neq 0$ ,  $g(x) \neq 0 \quad \forall x \in X$ , then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow p} (f/g)(x) = A/B.$$

Pf: using the corresponding result about sequences. #

(3rd def of continuity)

Thm:  $f : X \rightarrow Y$ .  $f$  is continuous, <sup>and only if</sup> if for any

$p \in X'$ , a limit pt of  $X$ , we have

$$f(p) = \lim_{x \rightarrow p} f(x).$$

(i.e.  $f(\lim_{x \rightarrow p} x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow p} f(x)$ ).

## Operations on Continuous Functions.

Thm: Let  $f, g: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be continuous functions, then  $f+g$ ,  $f \cdot g$ ,  $f/g$  (if  $g \neq 0$ ) are continuous functions.

Pf: To show  $f+g$  is continuous, just need to show  $\forall p \in X'$ ,

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow p} f(x) + g(x) = f(p) + g(p).$$

This follows from Thm 4.4, above. --- #.

Thm: if  $f: X \rightarrow Y$ ,  $g: Y \rightarrow Z$  are continuous then  $(g \circ f): X \rightarrow Z$  is continuous.

$\boxed{(g \circ f)(x) = g(f(x))}$  is the composition of  $f, g$

Pf: Just need to show that,  $\forall V \subset Z$  open.

$(g \circ f)^{-1}(V)$  is open. But.

$$(g \circ f)^{-1}(V) = f^{-1}(\underbrace{g^{-1}(V)}_{\text{open} \because g \text{ cont.}}) \text{ is open. \#}$$

Facts: If  $X, Y$  are topological space, then  $X \times Y$  is a topological space, with open sets

"generated" by  $U \times V$ ,  $U \subset X$  open,  $V \subset Y$  open.  
↑ using  $U, V, \dots$

Given maps  $f: Z \rightarrow X$ ,  $g: Z \rightarrow Y$ .

$$(f, g): Z \rightarrow X \times Y. \quad (f, g)(z) = (f(z), g(z)).$$

$(f, g)$  is continuous if and only if  $f$  and  $g$  are continuous.

Thm: Let  $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ , with  $f(x) = (f_1(x), \dots, f_n(x))$ .

Then  $f$  is continuous  $\Leftrightarrow f_i: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are continuous  $\forall i = 1, \dots, n$ .

PF: See Rudin.

Ex: (1).  $x: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  (identity) is continuous.

$x^2: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$   $\because$  multiplication of cont. fcn is cont.

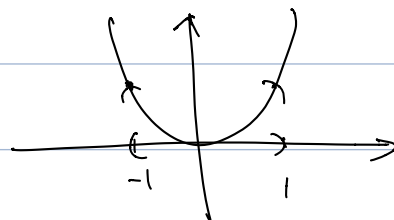
$\Rightarrow x^n: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  cont.

$\Rightarrow p(x) = a_n x^n + \dots + a_0: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous, polynomial

T/F: (1) if  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is continuous, then  $\forall U \subset X$  open,  $f(U)$  is also open in  $Y$ .

**X false.**

$$f(x) = x^2: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$



$$f((-1, 1)) = [0, 1)$$

(2). if  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  cont. Then  $\forall E \subset Y$  closed,  
 $f^{-1}(E)$  is closed.

True:  $E$  is closed  $\Leftrightarrow E^c$  is open.

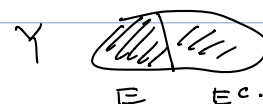
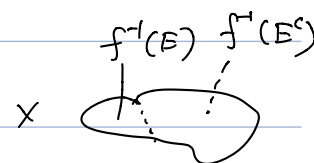
$$Y = E \sqcup E^c.$$

$$f^{-1}(Y) = f^{-1}(E) \sqcup f^{-1}(E^c)$$

$$f^{-1}(Y) = X.$$

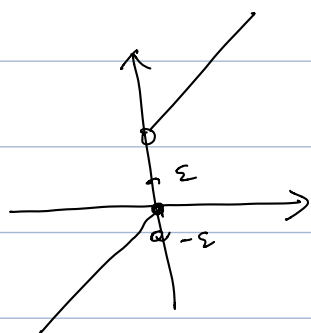
$$\Rightarrow X = f^{-1}(E) \sqcup f^{-1}(E^c)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \underbrace{f^{-1}(E^c)}_{\text{open}} = \left(f^{-1}(E)\right)^c$$



hence  $f^{-1}(E)$  is closed.

Ex:



$$f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}.$$

$$f^{-1}((- \epsilon, \epsilon)) = [- \epsilon, 0]$$